Chapter 1 MP Systems

The MP System is a computer-based data acquisition system that performs many of the same functions as a chart recorder or other data viewing device, but is superior to such devices in that it transcends the physical limits commonly encountered (such as paper width or speed). The MP data acquisition unit (MP150 or MP100) is the heart of the MP System. The MP unit takes incoming signals and converts them into digital signals that can be processed with your computer.

MP Systems can be used for a wide array of applications, including:

Cardiovascular Hemodynamics	Evoked Response	Plethysmography
ECG: Cardiology	Exercise Physiology	Psychophysiology
EEG: Electroencephalogram	Interfacing with Existing Equipment	Pulmonary Function
EMG: Electromyogram	In vitro Pharmacology	Remote Monitoring
EOG / Eye Movement	Laser Doppler	Sleep Studies

Data collection generally involves taking incoming signals (usually analog) and sending them to the computer, where they are (a) displayed on the screen and (b) stored in the computer's memory (or on the hard disk). These signals can then be stored for future examination, much as a word processor stores a document or a statistics program saves a data file. Graphical and numerical representations of the data can also be produced for use with other programs.

- Application Notes are provided at <u>www.biopac.com</u> under Support; see page 17.
- **Quick Start** Templates are provided in the Samples folder to simplify setup; see page 19.

The MP System can be used on a Macintosh[®] or on a PC with Windows[®]. The System utilizes the same hardware, excepting hardware for computer interface. The software has the same "look and feel" on both the Macintosh[®] and the PC.

MP150 STARTER SYSTEM



*MP150 Specifications are on page 12.

The **new MP150** high-speed data acquisition system utilizes the very latest in Ethernet technology. The MP150 is compliant with any Ethernet (DLC) ready PC or Macintosh. This next generation product takes full advantage of cutting edge technology. Access multiple MP150 devices located on a local area network and record data to any computer connected to the same LAN. Record multiple channels with variable sample rates to maximize storage efficiency. Record at speeds up to 400kHz (aggregate).

MP150 System includes:

Data acquisition unit: MP150A-CE Universal interface module: UIM100C Ethernet Switch (for user-supplied Ethernet card or adapter): ETHSW1 Transformer: AC150A Cables: CBLETH1 (2) Acq*Knowledge*[®] software: ACKv3.7 for PC (Windows) ACKv3.5 for Macintosh

Recommended MP150 configuration:

For the best possible performance, connect the MP System solely to the computer's Ethernet port. For simultaneous connection of the network and the MP System, the ETHSW1 is required. If a computer has no Ethernet port, users need to install an industry standard PCI Ethernet card (Intel, 3COM, etc.). If a computer does not require simultaneous connection to the network, it's acceptable to use a standard crossover Ethernet cable to connect the MP System to a computer.

MP150 Symbology



Front panel		The front panel of the MP1	50 has three status indicators.
LED Label	Color	Indicates	Status
POWER	green	Power status	Bright (on) if MP150 is turned ON. Dark (off) if MP150 is turned OFF.
ACTIVITY	yellow	Traffic to or from MP150 for both Ethernet and Serial interface — <i>similar</i> <i>to Hard Disk activity</i> <i>light on any personal</i> <i>computer</i>	 Blinks if data/command traffic occurs on Ethernet or Serial interface. The frequency of blinks is proportional to amount of traffic to/from MP150. May blink randomly if traffic is low. Bright (on) if traffic is extremely high. Dark (off) if traffic is low.

LED Label	Color	Indicates	Status					
BUSY	green	MP150 acquisition	Bright (on) during acquisitionDark (off) if no traffic to/from MP150Blinks for some errors.In averaging mode, the busy light will light up during each trial.					
MP150 Work	Mode	LED Indicators						
Startup phase		When MP150 is turned ON, ACTIVITY and BUSY will shine for the duration of the self-test and setup process. This may take 3 – 10 seconds, depending on MP150 memory. After this, if MP150 is OK, ACTIVITY and BUSY will go dark for about 1 second before proceeding to the idle phase. If the self-test fails or setup fails, BUSY will remain bright and ACTIVITY will blink at about 5 Hz rate.						
Idle phase		The idle phase is time when from Ethernet or Serial com	MP150 does not receive any commands/requests nector.					
		In Idle, BUSY is off and ACTIVITY blinks from time to time (approx. $1-5$ second interval). ACTIVITY blinks because the MP150 is checking the network connection. Also, it may receive test signals from another MP150 or from another workstation in the LAN.						
		If MP150 is not connected to LAN or all other workstations are turned off, MP150 will not receive any responses from Ethernet. In this case (after three attempts) ACTIVITY and BUSY will alternate blinks. In most cases this means 'MP150 not connected to LAN.' In rare cases, it may mean 'Another MP150 with the same serial number exists in the LAN'						
Working mod	le							
no data acqui	sition	If running Acq <i>Knowledge</i> software and not collecting data, BUSY is off and ACTIVITY reflects data traffic between the MP150 and PC. When running through the Ethernet, ACTIVITY will blink infrequently. When running through the Serial Interface (not typical connection), ACTIVITY will blink frequently because the software continuously checks MP150 status.						
data acquisiti	on	BUSY will be bright during any acquisition. ACTIVITY reflects data traff (for acquisition speeds of 1000 Hz or more, ACTIVITY will be permanen bright or blink at a high frequency).						
Acq <i>Knowledg</i> software close	e ed	In this case, the MP150 falls into Idle mode. This occurs immediately under Acq <i>Knowledge</i> Ethernet Interface but under Acq <i>Knowledge</i> Serial Interface there will be a 25 - 30 second delay.						
Back panel								
Power switch		On powers up the MP150 Off cuts the flow of power) r to the MP150					
Fuse holder		Next to the power switch is	a 2 Amp fast-blow fuse holder					
r use notuer		To remove the fuse, use a so which is located below the The maximum capacity of t	crewdriver to remove the fuse cover, word Fuse . he fuse is 2 Amps.					

Back panel	cont'd
DC Input	The DC Input , located between the fuse holder and the serial cable, is where a battery, AC/DC converter or other power supply connects to the MP150.
	The power supply requirements for the MP150 are 12 VDC @ 2 Amps,
	The receptacle is configured to accept a "+" (positive) input in the center of the connector and a "–" (negative) input on the connector housing.
Serial port	The MP150 connects to the computer via a serial port, located just below the word Serial (this connection is not normally used). Uses a standard MINI DIN 8 connector.
	Should only be used to connect the MP150 to a PC (via USB1M or USB1W) or Macintosh.
Ethernet	The MP150 connects to the computer via a serial port, located just below the word Ethernet .
	Uses a standard RJ-Ethernet connector (10 base T)
Side panel	
Module connections	The two connector inputs are designed to connect directly to the UIM100C.
	Analog signals are transmitted through the 37-pin connector that is on the upper-right side of the MP150A unit.
	Digital signals are transmitted through the 25-pin connector that is on the lower-right side of the MP150A unit.
Bottom	
Firmware Rollback Switch	The Firmware Rollback Switch is located on the bottom of the MP150 unit and is recessed to prevent accidental activation.
	Use the Firmware Rollback Switch only under the following circumstances:
	A) The MP150 fails to operate after downloading a new firmware revision using the "MP150Tools.exe" utility (which is described in Appendix F of the <i>MP Systems Guide</i>).
	B) The MP150 fails to operate for other reasons.
	Activation of the Firmware Rollback Switch will cause the MP150 unit to operate under the previous version of firmware loaded into the unit. If the MP150 has only been loaded with one version of the firmware (as when originally shipped from the factory), the Firmware Rollback Switch will have no effect.
	Procedure:
	1) Turn the MP150 unit OFF.
	 Turn the MP150 unit upside down and use a small-tipped device (an unfolded paperclip will do) to depress and hold the switch down.
	3) Continue to hold the switch down, and turn the MP150 unit ON.
	* One green and one yellow LED light will begin to blink simultaneously.
	4) When the simultaneous blinking stops, release the switch.
	* The MP150 is now restored to the previous version of firmware.
	menu item in Acq <i>Knowledge</i> .

MP150A-CE Data Acquisition Unit Block Diagram

The MP150 has an internal microprocessor to control the data acquisition and communication with the computer. There are 16 analog input channels, two analog output channels, 16 digital channels that can be used for either input or output, and an external trigger input. The digital lines can be programmed as either inputs or outputs and function in 8 channel blocks. Block 1 (I/O lines 0 through 7) can be programmed as either all inputs or all outputs, independently of block 2 (I/O lines 8 through 15).





Chapter 2 Interface Modules

UIM100C Universal Interface Module



UIM100C

The UIM100C Universal Interface Module is the interface between the MP150/100 and external devices. Typically, the UIM100C is used to input pre-amplified signals (usually greater than +/-0.1 volt peak-peak) and/or digital signals to the MP150/100 acquisition unit. Other signals (e.g., those from electrodes or transducers) connect to various signalconditioning modules.

The Universal Interface Module (UIM100C) is designed to serve as a general-purpose interface to most types of laboratory equipment. The UIM100C consists of sixteen 3.5 mm mini-phone jack connectors for analog inputs, two 3.5 mm mini-phone jack connectors for analog outputs, and screw terminals for the 16 digital lines, external trigger, and supply voltages.

The UIM100C is typically used alone to connect polygraph and chart recorder analog outputs to the MP System. BIOPAC Systems, Inc. offers a series of cables that permit the UIM100C to connect directly to a number of standard analog signal connectors. Most chart recorders or polygraphs have analog signal outputs, which can be connected directly to the UIM100C.

The UIM100C allows access to 16 analog inputs and 2 analog outputs on one side, and 16 digital input/output lines, an external trigger, and supply voltages on the other side. The UIM100C is designed to be compatible with a variety of different input devices, including the BIOPAC series of signal conditioning amplifiers (such as the ECG100C).

Connections between the UIM100C and the MP150/100 acquisition unit are made via two cables: one for analog signals (with a 37-pin connector) and one for digital signals (with a 25pin connector). Use the 0.6-meter cables included with your system to connect the UIM100C to the acquisition unit.

When using the Universal Interface Module (UIM100C) with other 100-Series modules, the UIM100C is usually the first module cascaded in the chain. If using the STM100C, OXY100C or HLT100C, the module must be plugged in on the left of the UIM100C. Up to seventeen modules (including the UIM100C) can be snapped together, as illustrated in the following diagrams:



MP100 to UIM100C and amplifier moduleSTM100C and UIM100C and amplifier modules



Typical UIM100C to polygraph interface

When using the UIM100C, be careful not to short the "analog output" terminals together, and not to short across any of the connectors on the "Digital" (back) side of the module.

IMPORTANT USAGE NOTE

Mains powered external laboratory equipment should be connected to an MP System through signal isolators when the system also connects to electrodes attached to humans.

To couple external equipment to an MP System, use:

- ✤ For analog signals INISO or OUTISO isolator (with HLT100C)
- For **digital** signals **STP100** (with **UIM100C**)

Contact BIOPAC for details.

Analog connections



Digital connections

A digital signal has only two voltage levels: 0 and +5 volts. Zero volts is a binary "0" and +5 volts is a binary "1." A **positive edge** is a 0 to 1 transition and a **negative edge** is a 1 to 0 transition. The MP150/100 digital I/O lines have internal pull-up resistors so that unconnected inputs will read "1."





Trigger connected to UIM100C

MP unit to digital source connection

The UIM100C allows access to 16 digital input/output lines through screw terminals which can accept either pin plugs or bare wires, as shown above. Be careful not to short the +5, +12V and -12V terminals together or to the GND A or GND D output terminal, or you may damage the MP150/100.

The 16 digital lines are divided into two blocks, I/O 0 through 7 and I/O 8 through 15. Each of these blocks can be programmed as either inputs or outputs. Do not connect a digital input source to a block that is programmed as an output.

It is also possible to connect an output device (such as an LED) to the digital side of the UIM100C. Leeds and similar devices can be connected so that they are "on" either when a signal output from the UIM100C reads 0 Volts or when a +5 Volt signal is being output. To connect an LED so that it defaults to "off" (i.e., the digital I/O reads 0), attach one lead of the

output device to the GND D terminal on the UIM100C and connect the other lead to one of the digital I/O lines (I/O 7, for example). When configured this way, the device will be "off" when I/O 7 reads 0, and "on" when I/O 7 reads a digital "1"(i.e., +5 Volts). When connecting to an LED, be sure to use a current-limiting resistor (typically 330 Ω) in series with the LED. Alternatively, you can connect one of the device leads to the +5V terminal on the UIM100C and leave the other lead connected to the digital line (e.g., I/O 7). With this setup, the device will be on whenever the I/O line (in this case digital I/O 7) reads 0, and on whenever the I/O reads a digital "1" (i.e., +5 Volts)



UIM100C Specifications

Analog I/O:	16 channels (front panel) – 3.5mm phone jacks
D/A Outputs:	2 channels (front panel) – 3.5mm phone jacks
Digital I/O:	16 channels (back panel) – screw terminals
External Trigger:	1 channel (back panel) – screw terminal
Isolated Power:	$\pm 12V$, $\pm 5V$ @ 100 ma (back panel) – screw terminals
Weight:	520 grams
Dimensions:	7cm (wide) x 11cm (deep) x 19cm (high)

MP System Pin-outs — for MP150 and MP100

Pin

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GND D

GND D

EXT T

+5 VD

+5 VD

I/O 8

I/O 9

I/O 10

I/O 11

Digital DSUB 25 (male) Pin-outs

	6 7 8 9 10 8 19 20 21 22 2 DIGITAL	11 12 13 3 24 25
Description	Pin	Description
I/O 0	14	I/O 4
I/O 1	15	I/O 5
I/O 2	16	I/O 6
I/O 3	17	I/O 7

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GND A

Out 1

Out 0

GND A

I/O 12

I/O 13 I/O 14

I/O 15

Analog DSUB 37 (male) Pin-outs

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ANALOG

Pin	Description	Pin	Description
1	GND A	20	CH 1
2	GND A	21	CH 2
3	GND A	22	CH 3
4	GND A	23	CH 4
5	GND A	24	CH 5
6	GND A	25	CH 6
7	GND A	26	CH 7
8	GND A	27	CH 8
9	+12 V	28	+12 V
10	GND A	29	- 12 V
11	-12 V	30	CH 9
12	GND A	31	CH 10
13	GND A	32	CH 11
14	GND A	33	CH 12
15	GND A	34	CH 13
16	GND A	35	CH 14
17	GND A	36	CH 15
18	GND A	37	CH 16
19	GND A		

Serial MINI DIN 8 (female) Pin-outs

Pin	Description
1	No Connection
2	Clock (MP Output)
3	Rx+ (MP Input)
4	GND computer
5	Tx+ (MP Output)
6	Rx- (MP Input)
7	No Connection
8	Tx- (MP Output)

Ethernet connector Pin-outs (for model MP150 only)



Pin	Description
1	TXD+
2	TXD-
3	RXD+
4	No Connection
5	No Connection
6	RXD-
7	No Connection
8	No Connection

MP System Applications

Features

With proper hardware selection and setup, the MP System with Acq*Knowledge* software can be used for a wide array of application features. See the MP System Guide for descriptions of the following features. For additional support, or for help with an unlisted application, please contact the BIOPAC Technical Support Division — an Applications Specialist will be glad to help you.

Active Electrodes Allergies Amplitude Histogram Anaerobic Threshold Animal studies Auditory Evoked Response (AER) Automate Acquisition Protocols Automated Data Analysis Automatic Data Reduction Autonomic Nervous System Studies **Biomechanics Measurements** Blood Flow / Blood Pressure /Blood Volume **Body Composition Analysis** Breath-By-Breath Respiratory Gas Analysis Cardiac Output Cardiology Research Cell Transport Cerebral Blood Flow **Chaos Plots Common Interface Connections** Connect to MP Systems Control Pumps and Valves Cross- and Auto-correlation Current Clamping Defibrillation & Electrocautery Dividing EEG into Specific Epochs **ECG** Analysis ECG Recordings, 12-Lead ECG Recordings, 6-Lead **EEG Spectral Analysis** Einthoven's Triangle EMG and Force EMG Power Spectrum Analysis End-tidal CO2 **Episode Counting Ergonomics Evaluation Event-related Potentials Evoked Response** Exercise Physiology External equipment, controlling Extra-cellular Spike Recording Facial EMG FFT & Histograms FFT for Frequency Analysis **Field Potential Measurements** Fine Wire EMG Forced Expiratory Flow & Volume

Gait Analysis Gastric Myoelectric Activity Gastric Slow Wave Propagation Gastrointestinal Motility Analysis Hardware Flexibility Heart Rate Variability Heart Sounds Histogram Analysis Imaging Equipment, Interfacing Indirect Blood Pressure Recordings Integrated (RMS) EMG Interface with Existing Equipment Interface with Third-party transducer **Invasive Electrode Measurements** Ion-selective Micro-electrode Interfacing Iontophoresis Irritants & Inflammation Isolated Inputs & Outputs Isolated Lung Studies Isometric Contraction Isotonic Contraction Jewett Sequence Langendorff Heart Preparations Laser Doppler Flowmetry Left Cardiac Work Long-term Monitoring Lung Volume Measurement LVP Median & Mean Frequency Analysis Micro-electrode signal amplification Migrating Myoelectric Complex Motor Unit Action Potential Movement Analysis **MRI** Applications Multi-Channel Sleep Recording Nerve Conduction Studies Neurology Research Noninvasive Cardiac Output Noninvasive Electrode Measurements Nystagmus Investigation **Oculomotor Research** Off-line ECG Averaging **On-line** Analysis On-line ECG Analysis Orthostatic Testing Peripheral Blood Flow Peristaltic (Slow Wave) Propagation

Planted Tissue Pressure Volume Loops Psychophysiology Pulsatile Tissue Studies Pulse Rate Measurement Pulse Transit Time Range of Motion Real-time EEG Filtering Real-time EEG Filtering **Recurrent Patterns Regional Blood Flow Relative BP Measurement Remote Monitoring Respiration Monitoring** Respiratory Exchange Ratio Rheumatology Saccadic Eye Movements Sexual Arousal Studies Signal Averaging Simultaneous Monitoring Single Channel Analysis Single-fiber EMG Software-controlled Stimulator Somatosensory Evoked Response Spectral Analysis Spike Counting SpO2 Analysis Stand Alone Amplifiers **Standard Operating Procedures** Startle Eye Blink Tests Startle Response Stimulator, software-controlled Systemic Vascular Resistance Template Analysis Tissue Bath Monitoring **Tissue Conductance** Measurement Tissue Magnitude & Phase Modeling Tissue Resistance & Reactance Ussing Chamber Measurements Ventricular Late Potentials Vestibular Function Video Capture, Synchronous Visual Attention Visual Evoked Response VO2 Consumption Volume/Flow Loop Relationships Working Heart Preparations

Application Notes

BIOPAC has prepared a wide variety of application notes as a useful source of information concerning certain operations and procedures. The notes are static pages that provide detailed technical information about either a product or application. A partial list of Application Notes follows.

You can view or print application notes directly from the "Support" section of the BIOPAC web site <u>www.biopac.com</u>.

APP NOTE	Application
#AH101	Transducer Calibration and Signal Re-Scaling
#AH102	Biopotential Amplifier Testing using CBLCAL
#AH103	Remote Monitoring System (TEL100C)
#AS105	Auditory Brainstem Response (ABR) Testing
#AS105b	ABR Testing for Jewett Sequence
#AS108	Data Reduction of Large Files
#AS109	3-, 6-, and 12-Lead ECG
#AH110	Amplifier Baseline (Offset) Adjustment
#AS111	Nerve Conduction Velocity
#AH114	TSD107A Pneumotach Transducer
#AH114b	TSD107B Pneumotach Transducer
#AS115	Hemodynamic Measurements — Part I
#AS116	Hemodynamic Measurements — Part II
#AS117	Pulse Transit Time and Velocity Calculation
#AS118	EMG Signal Analysis
#AS119	EMG Power Spectrum Analysis
#AS120	X/Y Loop Area Analysis
#AS121	Waveform Data Reduction
#AS122	Power Spectrum Analysis
#AH125	Pulse Oximeter Module Operation
#AH127	Precision Force Transducers
#AH128	Active Electrode Specifications and Usage
#AS129	Heart Rate Variability
#AH130	Blood Pressure Measurement
#AS131	Averaging Mode
#AH132	TSD105A Variable Force Transducer
#AH135	TSD117 Pneumotach Transducer
#AH136	BAT100 Instructions
#AH140	Angular Measurements with Goniometers
#AH141	Tri-Axial Accelerometer Calibration
#AS142	AcqKnowledge Rate Detector Algorithm
#AS143	Importing AcqKnowledge Data Into Excel

APP NOTE	Application
#AH144	Hand Dynamometer Calibration
#AH145	TSD101B Respiratory Effort Transducer
#AS148	Automated ECG Analysis
#AH149	O2100C Module
#AH150	O2100C Module — Sample application
#AH151	CO2100C Module
#AH152	CO2100C Module — Sample Application
#AH153	Physiological Sounds Microphone
#AH154	HLT100C High Level Transducer
#AS158	Analysis of Inspired and Expired Lung Volume
#AH159	TSD116 Series Hand Switch and Foot Switch
#AH160	Gas Analysis Module Response Time
#AS161	Automated Tissue Bath Analysis
#AH162	Stimulation Features
#AS168	Analysis of Intraventricular Pressure Wave Data (LVP Analysis)
#AS169	Speech Motor Control
#AH170	LDF100A Laser Doppler Flow Module
#AH175	Using the STMISOC Stimulus Isolator
#AS177	ECG Analysis using the Offline Averaging Mode
#AS183	VO ₂ Measurement
#AH186	Psychological Assessment using the TSD115
#AH187	Electrodermal Response (EDR) using the GSR100 or TEL100
#AH190	Using the MCE100C Micro-electrode Amplifier
#AS191	Cardiac Output Measurement using the EBI100C and AcqKnowledge

AcqKnowldege **QUICK STARTS** for PC 3.7

"Quick Start" template files were installed to the Sample folder of the BIOPAC Program folder. Use a Quick Start template to establish the hardware and software settings required for a particular application or as a good starting point for customized applications.

Q ##	Application(s)	Feature
1	EEG	Real-time EEG Filtering
	Sleep Studies	Real-time EEG Filtering
2	EEG	Evoked Responses
3	EEG	Event-related Potentials
	Evoked Response	Event-related Potentials
4	Evoked Response	Nerve Conduction Studies
5	Evoked Response	Auditory Evoked response & Jewett Sequence
6	Evoked Response	Visual Evoked Response
7	Evoked Response	Somatosensory Evoked Response
9	Evoked Response	Extra-cellular Spike Recording
10	Pyschophysiology	Autonmic Nervous System Studies
12	Pyschophysiology	Sexual Arousal Studies
13	EBI	Cardiac Output
	Cardiovasc. Hemodynamics	Noninvasive Cardiac Output Measurement
	Exercise Physiology	Noninvasive Cardiac Output
15	EOG	Nystagmus Investigation
16	EOG	Saccadic Eye Movements
17	Plethsymography	Indirect Blood Pressure Recordings
19	Sleep Studies	Multiple-channel Sleep Recording
20	Sleep Studies	Cardiovasc. Hemodynamics
	ECG	On-line ECG Analysis
	ECG Analysis	On-line ECG Analysis
21	Sleep Studies	SpO ₂ Analysis
22	ECG	Einthoven's Triangle & 6-lead ECG
23	ECG	12-lead ECG Recordings
24	ECG	Heart Sounds
25	Cardiovasc. Hemodynamics	On-line Analysis
26	Cardiovasc. Hemodynamics	Blood Pressure
27	Cardiovasc. Hemodynamics	Blood Flow
28	Cardiovasc. Hemodynamics	LVP
31	NIBP	Pyschophysiology
32	In vitro Pharmacology	Tissue Bath Monitoring
33	In vitro Pharmacology	Pulsatile Tissue Studies
34	In vitro Pharmacology	Langendorff & Working Heart Preparations
35	In vitro Pharmacology	Pulmonary Function
	Isolated Lung Studies	Animal Studies
38	Pulmonary Function	Lung Volume Measurement
39	Exercise Physiology	Respiratory Exchange Ratio
40	EMG	Integrated (RMS) EMG
41	EMG	EMG and Force
42	Biomechanics	Gait Analysis
43	Remote Monitoring	Biomechanics Measurements
44	Biomechanics	Range of Motion